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AG Bruning: States File Brief in 11th Circuit Challenge of Health Care Law

LINCOLN – Attorney General Jon Bruning today released the following statement on the States’ brief filed in the 11th Circuit Court of Appeals in the challenge of the federal health care law, also known as the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA).

“Forcing Nebraskans to purchase a good or service violates our Constitution,” said Bruning.
“This unprecedented congressional overreach must not stand.”

The States’ brief details the unconstitutional nature of the PPACA’s individual mandate requiring all Americans to acquire and/or maintain health insurance coverage. In addition, the States argue that because the unconstitutional individual mandate is a critical component of the Act, it is necessary to declare the entire Act unconstitutional.

Today’s brief was filed in response to the federal government’s arguments previously filed in the 11th Circuit Court of Appeals.